THE STATE CAPITAL

Open Charges of Corruption Against Members.

Watts On His Vote Against the

MR. BETTS' DODGES.

Brooklyn Charter.

How Will the Thre Other Republicans Explain Their Conduct ?

AN AQUARIUM FOR CENTRAL PARK.

ALBANT, April 20, 1876. sterday, which bill failed to pase on account of the ection of five of the republicans, who sided with the nocrats, has been the chief topic of discussion ong the members here to-day. The rumors that re so rife, and which came in such definite shape last been in session about two hours, rose to a t privilege. Mr. Fish desired to have the offered by Watts amended so that the inves-ould include the four other members referred should include the four other members referred o article Mr. Watts complained of, but the oferred to be investigated on his own merits. I statement and resolution drew out a few recom Mr. Fish and others, I append the state-ust as they were made. Mr. Watts said:—seaker, I see by this morning's papers an against me in respect to receiving a relation to the Brooklyn Charter bill terday. I denounce it as false in every particular, i done to injure me. And I further would like an estigating commistee appointed by this House to restigate my career in this Assembly. I have triested stand as well and do my duty as well as I could do it. eff anything in that particular as far as my charactic soncerned, sociality or politically."

If. Watta then offered the following:—

Betts is concerned, Mr. Betts only left his the House a half an hour before Mr. Fallon the excuse for him, and that he was seen nor at the Delevan after the House led, he evidently had had time before the House to make an explanation, if he desired.

an celleagues an impossibility. As for Mesers, at agel, Hoffman and Gallagher, they will be afforded by a commistee overy opportunity to clear themselves on the suspicion that now, justily or unjustly, atches to their names.

WATTS' FLIMST EXPLANATION.

The commistee at their meeting to-day received an informal verbal statement from Mr. Watts. Among their things he stated that he was not in the House when the motion to reconsider the vote by which the rooklyn charter bad sheen lost was called up; that a was in the lobly when the roll was first illed, and at Congress Hall when a messenger told im that there was a call of the House, and that on sing so informed he hurried over to the Assembly hamber. Now, Mr. Watts may have been in Congress all when the call of the House occurred, but he made groes misstatement when he said that he was not in its Assembly Chamber when the motion was called on the table. One of the officers of the loune will tentify that he was holding a conversation with Mr. Watts whon the lotton was taken from the table, and that he called falts' attention to the bill, the vote on which it was reposed to reconsider. It is quite possible, therefore, hat Mr. Watts did go out into the lobby and to Concress Hall after the motion had been taken from the table and pending the vote by yeas and nays on he question of reconsideration, and it is equally robable that Mr. Watts would not have reurned to the Assembly Chamber while the cole was being taken it he had not been informed that call for absentices Mr. Galvin sked the Clerk how Mr. Watts was recorded. "Mr. Satts, "replied the Clerk, "is recorded in the affirmative." Whereupon Mr. Galvin, who sat near him, and, "I thought you voted with us." Mr. Satts immediately areas and sub-cents of the formatical the was voting on when he voted as reduction of the Central Park known as Manihatian Square had been discussed to the tenting that he was voting on the inquiry and here in the manifest of the Persident of the Frasident of the Senate From Colomel Stebbins

one that it after a license is granted to any place the rice of admission or for reserved seats should be in eased the license is 10 be immediately cancelled near the existing law there is no graded license, \$500 ring paid by all places of amusement, great and nail. Under the bill the Mayor is to grant the

The hearing of testimony to relation to quarantine management was concluded this afternoon, several witnesses having been examined in regard to irregularities on the part of the Health Officer, whom they charge with various petty applications of public property to rivate use, which the Health Officer, who was also examined, denice.

NEW ORLEANS RACES.

OURTH DAY OF THE SPRING MEETING-KIL

This was the fourth day of the spring meeting of the

The first event was a selling race, purse \$300, one mile and a quarter, and was won by Kilburn, Alten second and Springlet third. Time, 2:13%. Pools en the track—Kilburn, \$150; Alton, \$150; Springlet, \$30.

for all oges, was won easily by Ascension, Survivor second, Jack Trigg third. Time, 2:42½. Pools on the track—Ascension, \$200; Survivor, \$85; Jack Trigg,

The third event, mile heats, best three in five, for all ages, purse \$500, was won by Newbern in three straight heats. Enlister was second and Port Leonard third. Time—147, 1:45, 1:46%. Pools on the track—Enlister, \$200; Newbern, \$130; Port Leonard, \$40. After the first heat—Newbern, \$121; Enlister, \$50; Port Leonard, \$40. After the second heat—Newbern, \$111; the field, \$22.

d \$100. Cheatham's br. c. Newbern, 4 years, by N. B. Chestham's br. c. Newtorn, a years, b. 1 1 1
G. Morris' gr. c. Enlister, 4 years, by Enquirer,
dam Crownlet. 2 2
M. Welch's b. g. Port Leonard, aged, by
Voucher, dam Prunells. 3 3
Time—1:47, 1:45, 1:46;

TO-DAY'S BACING.

The fourth day's events at New Orleans caused cos siderable speculation at the pool marks in this city last night. The following will give an idea of the betting:—

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	Colonel Nelligan	\$25	25	20
	Cariboo	17	20	14
	Vandal, Jr	15	15	12
Я	Port Leonard	5.6	10	STORY.
	Pompey Smash	4	5	- 76
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	Kilburn	25	20	20
	Springlet	5	15	12
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g	Stampede		40	20
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NEW YORK YACHT CLUB.

accepted and that the usual six months' notice would be waived. It was resolved that the entire matter should be left to the discretion of the Regatta Com-

YACHTING NOTE. The yacht Prospero, no club, from Northport, passed Whitestone yesterday afternoon en route to New York.

THE RIFLE IN LONG ISLAND.

The Jamaica Rod and Rifle Association are making quite extensive preparations for the coming season, which promises to be quite an active one. The arrangements include two targets, each at 200 yards—one not being sufficient to accommodate the large number of markamen expected to take part in the contests for prizes. Of the latter two have been prepared, one is to be known as the "Champion badge," and will be competed for on the third Wednesday of May and the accord Wednesdays of June, July, August, September and October, becoming the property of the member who shall have won it three times. It is of very elegant design, of gold set with diamonds, and having the title of the association in gold and blue enamel. The other is to be known as the "Challenge badge," and is to be shot for on Saturday of each week, commencing May 6 and suding October 25, becoming the property of the member who shall have won it the greatest number of times during the season. It also is of gold, and bus the figures "1870" gracefully arrayed in the centre. The association, the membership of which is rapidly increasing, is in a prosperous condition and deservedly stands high among the kindred societies of the country. The Jamaica Rod and Rifle Association are making

DEVONSHIRE WRESTLING.

The wrestling match for \$250 a side between Albert Ellia, of London, and Harry Howard, of New York, came off yesterday afternoon at Harry Hill's. The men wrestled in Devoushire style—two falls out of three to decide the match. Ellis was the favorite. The first bout lasted only one minute and a half, Howard being thrown heavily, his head striking the floor of the stage. The second round was well contested and lasted for ten minutes, Ellis again throwing lloward flat on the stage, his head striking the floor and rendering him unconscious for a few minutes. The referee decided that it was not a fall, but Howard's Friends induced him not to go on further with the contest. Howard appeared badly stunned. A match for \$1,000 a side between himself and Ellis was arranged to come off five weeks from to-day.

COCK FIGHTING.

A cocking main came off yesterday morning at Dutch Kills, L. I., in the cellar of a resident of the place. A great many prominent patrons of the sport from New York, Brooklyn, Jersey and Connecticut were present, and every precaution was taken to avoid detection. There were four matches fought, three between private parties for \$200 a side, and one main of nine battles for \$1,000 between New York and Long Island, A wrangle having broken out between two of the spectators, it was thought advisable to postpone the last battle to some other day, and the assemblage dispersed.

NO INTENTION OF FIGHTING.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD:-In regard to the report published in the Heralic and elsewhere of a prize fight about to have taken place between us we would beg to deny our connection with anything of the kind. We met at the request of a number of friends to decide their respective merits in a scientific set-to with the gloves. We trust you will insert this, to have the matter put in its true light before the public. Respectfully, JAMES O'NEIL.

SEW York, April 11, 1876. J. R. JUDD. SAMOA AND STEINBERGER.

[From the Alta California.]

pleased with Maleitoa—could make him King of England it they wanted to—but the Samoans would have no more of him.

THE AUGIDON SALE.

"In the meantime Colonel Steinberger's personal effects and private papers were seized and examined by Foster. An auction was held on the 24th of the month (February), and all personal effects sold, bringing upward of \$3,000. The officers of the Barraconia were the principal purchasers. The proceeds of the sale Foster retained. The steam launch which was presented to the Samoan government by the government of the United States was sold for \$1,000. John Steinberger's whalebeat (his private property) was sold for \$80, and bought in by Foster. It originally cost \$300. Everything belonging to Colonel Steinberger was sold except a few of his clothes.

"The Barracouta is getting tired of waiting for satisfaction from the Samoans. We say we will wait until a United States in an of-war arrives. Then we know we shall be righted.

C.PTAIN STRYENS BAS A WHITE ELEPHANT.

"When Captain Stevens got his answer from the government be said that if we would not allow him to protect us there would be trouble. He was answered that the Samoans did not want English protection, but they did deaire American. Captain Stevens is so disgusted with the whole affair that when Dr. Turner, the English missionary and secretary of the london Missionary Society, called upon him, he told him that it was through him that his vessel was detained so long, and asked where the influence was that he professed to have with the Samoans. Dr. Turner offered to, and did, get his father and two other missionaries to go to Mulnuu to talk with the government. They tried to government were every anxious to find out in what shape this war would come, and begged them as men of tiod to lanwer, but they did not, and went away unsatisfied."

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The Namoans have great faith in Americans, and hope for protection by the United States. If the United States his to extend presection over these islands, England will certainly annex them. The people are laithful to the Colonel and sincerely desire his return. He is guarded just like a criminal, and while on deck two men guard him with loaded muskets. Not a native is allowed to come near him.

A VENDETTA IN NEWARK.

Yesterday three Germans appeared at St. Michael's Hospital, in Newark, and demanded to see a patient named Stone, who had been seriously stabbed the evening before in the course of an affray. The sister in charge refused the demand, and the men grew so violent and demonstrative that Dr. Freebord had to mierfere and drive them from the place. The man Stone, whose first name is Philip, and who resides on Sussex avenue, near First street. Newark, and is a pedler, was found on Wednesday night on the sidewalk in Norfolk street bleeding copiously from a wound. He was taken in charge by the police and removed to the Hospital. He stubbornly refused to reveal the circumstances of the stabbing or the parties implicated. His wounds are not likely to prove istal. The three demonstrative Germans siluded to declared that Stone had, my sharp practice, cozened one of them out of a horse and wagon, which caused a conflict in which he was stabbed. They threatened to make short work of him if they laid hands on him.

FUNERAL OF WILLIAM L. COLE.

The funeral of William L. Colo, member of the Inspectors' Association of the fort of New York, took place yesterday from the Alanson Methodist Episcopal church, in Norfolk street. The retigious services were conducted by the Rev. W. P. Estes. The palibearers were composed of members of the Inspectors' Association. A large number of carriages accompanied the remains to Cypress Hills Cemetery.

The private collection of paintings belonging to Mr.

A.F. Morrison, of this city, are on exhibition at the Miner gallery, No. S45 Broadway. The pictures are mainly specimens of modern American and foreign artists, and although the names of but few of the more prominent foreign artists, are named those which are here M. Brown are also good works. Of the loreign pictures the principal ones are:—"Meeting of Washington and André," by John Lewis Brown; "Van Eyck in His Studio," with his daughter posing for the Madonna of the famous Ghent picture, by W. Linnig; "Alsacian Peasants Making Wreatns for the Returning Soldiers," by C. A. Pabst; "The Morning News," by David Col; "Expectation," by C. Capielot Lassalle; "Flemish Fruit Seller," by Van Hamme; a mastoral scene, by Le. Brot: "The Morning Visit," an pastoral scene, by Le Bret; "The Morning Visit," an interior with figures, by H. Diddoert; "Meditation," by

BURGLARIES IN BROOKLYN.

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The residence of George Hyde, No. 146 President street, was visited by a daring burglar between midnight and six o'clock yesterday morning. The audacious thief placed a ladder against the side of the house in the rear yard, and, ascending to a window leading to a bedroem on the second story, entered the apartment in which Mr. Hyde was sleeping. The fellow secured two diamond studs from the shirt bosom of the gentleman and rided the pockets of a pair of pantaloons, from which be took \$10. He next obtained possession of jour overcouts and took his departure undetected. About daylight a lamplighter, named James Farrell, found three of the coats on a stoop a few doors below Mr. Hyde's dwelling, where they had been left, no doubt, by the thief, who found them too great as encoumbrance. The value of the stolen property is about \$300.

The menhine shop of John Sullivan, Clason avenue and Wallabout street, was burglariously entered and \$75 worth of castings carried oil.

The dwelling of Albon Brannen, No. 92 Washington avenue, was roubed of \$30 worth of clothing on Wedneeday night.

THE BILLON BURGLARS SEN-TENCED.

Yesterday the Kings County Court of Sessions, Judge Moore presiding, was occupied in the trial of the four desperate characters who were arrested in New York, about ten days ago, on suspicion of being the parties who robbed and assaulted Mr. Biflon, the Hicks street jeweller, on the night of the 15th of March last. The jeweller, on the night of the 18th of March last. The prisoners are Patrick Boyle, alias John Williams; George Wilson, alias John O'Neil; Martin McGowan, alias John Wilson, and William Roberts, alias William Riely. They demanded separate trials. Boyle has served two years and a half in the Penitentiary for highway robbery, and he also served a term in prison for burglary. Wilson served a term in the Penitentiary for burglary. McGowan and Roberts have also served in the State Prison. The evidence against Boyle, who was first tried, was so strong that the jury were not absent from the court room half an hour, when they returned with a verdict of guilty. The prisoner was remanded for sentence. George Wilson was then tried and found guilty. Their two companions will be tried to-day.

LIQUOR DEALERS VICTORIOUS. Owen McCue, Edward McGninness and Frank Hillen

sperger were brought up for examination before Justice Keese in Jersey City yesterday on the charge of Justice Acese in Jersey City yesterday on the charge of selling liquor on election day. The complainant was one Mr. McTavish, a member of a temperance society that proposes to enter upon a lively rum crusade. He was asked if he saw the defendants sell liquor and he enawered in the negative. He considered that it was sufficient to prove that the saloons were kept open for the saje of liquora. Justice Keese decided that the case was not proved, and he discharged the accused.

A PIER DISAPPEARS.

Another serious mishap occurred yesterday on the new line of the Delaware and Lackawanna Railroad new line of the Delaware and Lackawanna Railroad west of the tunnel in process of construction through Bergen Hill. One of the heavy stone abutments almost completed for the bridge over the Hackensack River gave way and disappeared in the depths. This abutment had been reared on piles whose tops were nine feet below the water. Over these piles a mass of concrete was placed by divers, and upon that the masoury rested. The piles yielded under the great weight. The deep, mudy bed of the river resting on a thin alluvial crust, presents obstacles to the construction of the new bridge which it will be difficult to overcome, and which will retard the completion of the new line for several weeks. The work of completing the tunnel is being pushed forward rapidly.

LOOKING AT DEATH.

How John Dolan Spent His Last Night on Earth.

His View of the Efforts to Procure a Commutation.

REMARKABLE SCENES IN THE TOMBS.

The Doomed Man Laughs and Jests While Approaching His Fate.

THE LAST HOPE GONE.

for the murder of Mr. James H. Noe, the Greenwich street brush manufacturer, on Sunday morning, the 22d inexplicable placidity very nearly bordering actual cheerfulness, so far as outward appearances indicate. During the long hours of the bright spring day that was to be his last on earth he moved about the narrow corridor between fined, with a light step and bright, apparently happy, countenance. He was engaged with his relatives, with priests and Sisters nearly all day. When disengaged he would chat cheerfully about ordinary occurrences with those about him. Then, no one unacquainted character in his face or eye. While by no means pre-possessing, he has a certain open look that is not re-pugnant, and his face is devoid of certain of the repulsive characteristics usually associated with the face of the murderer. Notwithstanding his seeming indifference to the horrors of his situation he talked respectfully and attentively to the priests and sisters, as if fully aware that preparation was needed for the hereafter. Nor were their visits the only indications of his doom. All the silent but active measures that always precede the execution of the con-demned went on around him-much of the work Sheriff Shafer, Burns and Henry sat about the slove during the day, in accordance with the usual custom, as a special guard over him. They were relieved by Deputies Schofield, New and McGonigle at night. Out-

preparations were early set on foot to erect the gallows, which were, of course, hidden from his view, although one who saw him at the time would say he could have seen his own scaffold erected with calmness, judging by

seen his own scaffold erected with calmiess, judging by his composure in presence of the movements within. His visitors through the day were quite numerous. His counsel called early yesterday morning and found Dolan making his toilet. On a table near him stood a small statue of the Virgin Mary; behind it a crucifix He expressed some concern for the fate of his wife and mother, and when assured by the counsel that they would be taken care of he expressed deep gratitude. Soou after his wife came, and he appeared very much pleased at her presence. About eleven o'clock in the forenoon his mother, aunt and little sister arrived to pass the day with him, and he want to the extreme end of the corridor and sat for a long interval talking with them in a
lively strain. The women evinced at times a good deal
of distress, but the little girl,
DOLAN'S SISTER, PLAYED ABOUT THE CORRIDOR
with two little purples belonging to the prisoner, and
a cat, also his.
About one o'clock in the afternoon the first beams of

preciated his position.

INTERVIEW WITH DOLAN.

The reporter said:—"Dolan, you appear to be remarkably calm in view of io morrow."

'I know it's a foregone conclusion, so I don't see the use of fretting."

"They say you have some hope of the Governor's interfering in the morania."

"Not the least. I think I shall have a much better chance of mercy in the next world than from Governor Tiden."

"Haven't you found it dreary in prison?"

"The time itself has not appeared very long, but God

"How have you been treated by the Warden and his subordinates?"

"I don't think any man ever got more kindness. Warden Quinn is a just man, but he is very considerate, if he had not been here I should have lad many a bitter hour. Under him everybody seems to have done what they could to ease me down to the grave."

"Now, John, can you really say that you had no hand or part in the killing of Mr. Noe?"

"No more than you yourself. It was the watch that did for me. I frequently helped follows to get away with 'stuff like that before. I don't deny the business, but that was one watch too much for me."

"They say that the expenses of your various appeals have been provided for by the Catholic clergy. Is that true or false?"

"It is quite false. Everything that has been done has been done voluntarily by my lawyers. I have had no friends. The whole of this business comes from people at the back of the District Attorney's office. They made up their minds I should hang and I'm going to."

"I hope you will bear up to morrow as well as you do to-day."

"I hope I shall. I think I can. It makes a good deal

"I hope you will bear up to morrow as well as you do to-day."
I hope I shall. I think I can. It makes a good deal of difference whether a man is guilty or innocent. I shall pay the pensity, but I hope in a few years, with God's help, they'll find out I'm innocent. It's hard to die at my time of life, especially in this way, but it has to come, and I'm prepared and contented."

TRECHAPHING FOR A STAY.

The following felegram was cent by Bolan's connsol to Governor Tilden later in the afternoon:—

For God's sake, grant Dolan only two days' reprieve. Have just discovered important oxidence. Answer.

To the above telegram Governor Tilden sent the following reply:—

I cannot interfere again except on grounds that have been previously submitted to the District Attorney and regarded by him as affording probable cause. Every opportunity has been afforded to the prisoner during the last six mooths. If any extraordinary occasion has arisen it should be verified by the District Attorney.

Counsel, it appears, based his felegram upon the following letter received by him yesterday:—

There was a conversation overheard by the sister of one

following letter received by him yesterday:—
Mr. Howa:—
There was a conversation overheard by the sister of one
Mr. Martin, residing at No. 31 Harrison street, between
Pete Thompson, Dolan and another man, in reference to the
pawning of a watch. The woman who first heard, the conversation is afraid to make it public for fear of Thompson's
felends, but she told her bruther, who told Mrs. Littlefield,
and thus the latter tady became acquainted with the facts.
The eister lives in Caroline street, and the conversation
between these men took place in an alley running off Carolint street. Mrs. Littlefield, not knowing but that there
might to much trath in the above, gives it you for what it
was worth. This was goeslaped about before Dolan was arretted for the marder of Mr. Noe. Respectfully,

JOS. De BARTLER, No. 121 Jay street?

Let me Work that any turther stay can be obtained.

was worth. This was goesipped about before Dolan was arrested for the murder of Nr. Now. Respectibly.

It is not likely that any forther stay can be obtained on this letter, however.

Dolan kept up his cheery disposition during the afternoon and evening, and talked with such thoughtless levity on commonplace topics to his guard and keepers, that some of the prison attendants, accustomed as they are to see hard cases, considered his want of feeling a mere bravado that would vanish before the fatal hour arrived. In spite of all his indifference, however, the atmosphere of the whole place suggested all the horrors of the felon's death, and a finger seemed to point to him as each visitor entered the place and a voice seemed to whisper, "this is the wretch who goes forth on the morrow to be strangled like a dog," Occasionally during the evening as he passed by the clock at the keeper's deak he shot a rapid, nervous glance at its hands that told of a mental torture he cold not wholly conceal. But in an instant his face would bri, her again and show no trace of the agony he was smothering. Before nightfall Commissioners Brennan, Cox and Bailey called. A number of priests were also with Dolan at different hours, among them Fathers Krietz and Kries, of St. Alphonaus' Church, in Thompson street; Fathers Martin, Barry and McGean, of Mott street Roman Catholic Church; and Father Daranquet and another priest from St. Franca Xavier's Roman Catholic Church; and Father Daranquet and another priest from St. Franca Xavier's Roman Catholic Church; and Father Daranquet and another priest from St. Franca Xavier's Roman Catholic Church; and Father Daranquet and another priest from St. Franca Xavier's Roman Catholic Church; and Father Daranquet and another priest from St. Franca Xavier's Roman Catholic Church; and Father Daranquet and another priest from St. Franca Xavier's Roman Catholic Church; and prayed with the Sisters of Mercy. At night, when the Deputy Sheriffs invited him to have some nice supper, he thankfully declined sad s

Among the visitors to the vicinity of the condemned cell during the night were Sheriff Conner, Jackson S. Schultz and Sinclair Tousey.

Up to the last moment at which Dolan was seen by the writer, about midnight, he was cool, and seemed to have no fear at all of the dread penalty which he was so soon to suffer.

During the forenoon a reporter of the Brooklyn Eagle had an interview with Dolan. "The Brooklyn Eagle " said he. "I used to w next door to your office."

"At Firgeraid's, the hoomaker. I am a shoemaker by trade. I worked for him when he kept in Front street, over the news agency, and then he moved to No.

street, over the news agency, and then he moved to No. 40 Fulton street, over the butter and lard store. I worked for Williams, in Henry street, near the armory, as well, and for Hughes, at No. 212 Atlantic avenue. They will remember me, I guess, and I don't thind they can say anything to my discredit."

The reporter asked him about his case. "Well," said he, knocking the ashes from his cigar, "they tell me I have no hope; the Sherid says so, too, but it is not official; its only what outsiders say."

"There has been very great prassure brought to bear on the Governor in your case."

"That's so, I guess," said Dolan, meditatively, "that there's been more done for me than for any other man under sentence of death. It looks had for me, and I am prepared to die, but as I believe I shall go before my feed, I never killed Mr. Noe. In my trial I had no fair show, and I tell you that Judge Barrett ought not te try anybody for his life. Why, when I was on trial he sat there just like a block, and every time he went against me. I got no show at all. And there's that Dorsey (the detective of the Sixth precinct), he swore against me, and he had a grudge against me, too. "It ell you how it was. Some time ago there was a fight in Mulberry street and Dorsey got hit on the head with a stone, and the man that strack him was something of my build. Dorsey always said if was me, and he threatened two or three times to 'send me' if ever he got the chance, and God knows he did the best he could. Well, there is all sorts of evidence of the same kind against me. Now, this sa little thing, but just see how a man would swear falsely. The man I sold the watch to when put on the stand swore that he gave me \$50 for it; now I have no reason to lie about such a thing as that, its too small, but in the position I'm in now I swear that all he gave me for it was \$35. You see he didn't want people to think he'd give so little for a watch that was worth as much, he cause people would consider that he was a 'fence,' and knowing that he was dealin

A DETERMINED SUICIDS.

quest on the body of a man named William Newton, who committed suicide at the Montauk Hotel, No. 12 Fulton street. Deceased, who was about forty-five Fulton street. Deceased, who was about forty-five years of age, was very respectable in appearance. He entered the hotel on Wednesday evening and engaged a room. Vesterday he failed to appear at the breakfast table, and at noon a servant informed the propristor that the stranger's room was still locked. About three o'clock in the atternoon Mr Freeman went to the room and forced open the door, when he saw the body of his quest lying on the bed. The only garment removed by deceased was his coat. On a stand near the bed was found a bostle which contained the dregs of laudanum. The police, who were notified, found in a pocket of the suicide \$2.23, and the following remarkable letter:—

SUICIDE OF JOHN T. BURLING.

committed suicide yesterday morning by cutting his throat with a razor. Insanity is said to have been the throat with a razor. Insanity is said to have been the cause. The sister of the deceased is hopelessly insane and lived with him at No. 358 West Twenty-second street. She is attended by a nurse, and both live in the front room, while the brother occupied the rear part, separated from thom by folding doors. The condition of Burling's eister preved very much upon his mind. Early yesterday morning the nurse heard a noise in the front room, and looking, saw the body of the deceased just falling by his sister's bedside. He had cut a deep gash on the left side of his. throat before a looking jass in his own room and then walked into the front room, where he cut the left side, dropping down exhausted by his sister's bed. Coroner Croker held an inquest in the atternoon and the jury rendered a verdict of suicide while temporarily deranged.

The deceased belonged to one of the oldest families of New York. His father was at one time a very rich merchant. He deeded to the city a tract of land fronting on the East River, between the South ferry and for casual boats, and from him Burling slip derived its name.

CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION.

A centennial celebration was held at the First Bap-tist church, corner of Park avenue and Thirty-ninth street, last evening. The editice was well filled and presented a very gay appearance, being tastefully decorated with flags and banners. At the close of the decorated with flags and banners. At the close of the exercises the congregation adjourned to an old fashioned toa party in the Sunday school room. Music was furnished by Bernstein. The meeting began with the singing of "America," followed by a prayer from Rev. Dr. Arminge. The pastor, Dr. Anderson, then gave a brief history of his church, which is celebrating it one hundredth year. A quartet and chorus were sing. Rev. Dr. Bridgman, of Albany, N. Y., was expected to deliver an address, but iliness prevented his being present. Dr. Amitage being called upon to take his place made a brief address, in the course of which he said that during this contennial year he had trued in vain to learn of one Baptist who during the Revolution was a tory. He had found a decument sent by Washington to the Baptists saying that with a singular unanimity the sect had sustained him.

THE RUSSIAN COMMISSION.

The Russian Commission to the Contennial Exhibition arrived on Wednesday by the steamer Pommerania, and are quartered at the Belvidere Hotel, on the corner of Irving place and Fifteenth street. They comprise the General Commissioner, C. Von Bicksky, Secretary ortoit, Inspector Schoenich, attaches Waschafaky, Bekman and Pietnedf. They are accompanied by two gentlemen who are going to exhibit some Russian goods. Mr. Weerfiel will exhibit a choice selection of Siberian precious atones, and Mr. Owschinikoff has precimens of gold and silver work and Russian steet. The entire party will leave for Philadelphia in a few days.

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The Commissioners of Police and Excise, Fire, City Works and Health, who were alleged by the morning papers of yesterday to have subscribed \$5,000 to defeat the Ogden charter, when questioned upon the subject indignantly dented the accusation. Fire Commissioner Rodwell did not know anything about such an arrangement, and he did not think republicans could be bought for \$500 each. He said:—'Por myself, if I have to buy my seat in this office I would rather go out.' Commissioner Fowler, of the Board of City Works, said he had 'nothing whatever to do with the defeat of the bill in any way, shape, manner or form." He was "giad it was defeated, but had no knowledge whatever of any corruption fund or anything pertaining to it." Fire Commissioner McLaughlin said he had not been in Albany for several years, and he had not given a cent to defeat the Ogden charter, as he supposed Tilden, being a democratic Governor, would veisit. Police and Excise Commissioner Pyburn pronounced the statement that money had been subscribed, by him to purchase the votes of the four republicans who voted against the partisan bill as absurd. He rejoiced that the charter of Brooklyn had not been tampered with, and thought it was an evidence of house; and independence on the part of the gentlemen who had recorded their votes against an effect to interface with the rights of local self-government. In the Health, Department the same denials of eribery were house.